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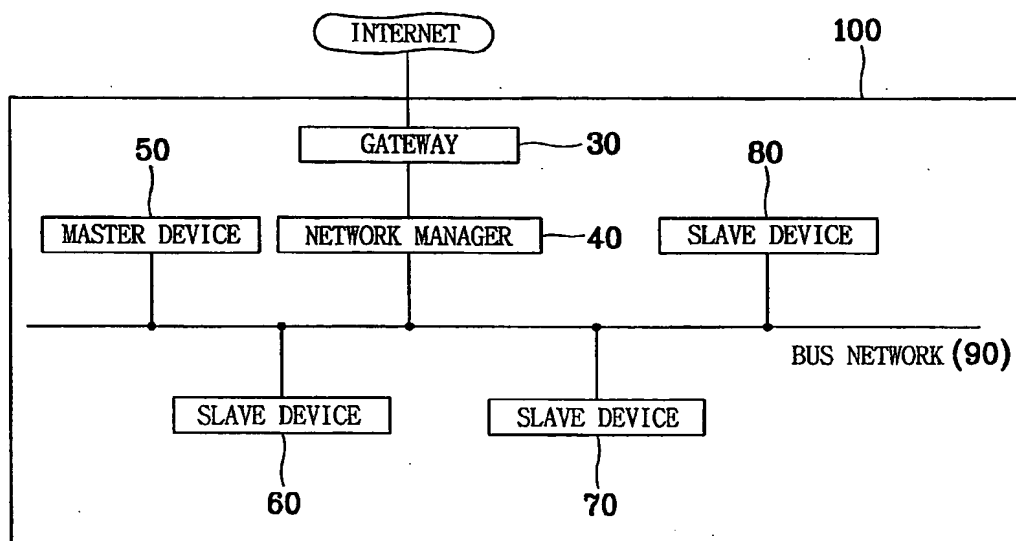
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(54) Title: HOME NETWORK SYSTEM



(57) Abstract: The present invention discloses a home network system (100) which uses a message structure for efficient communication between a plurality of home appliances. The home network system (100) includes at least one slave device (60, 70, 80), and at least one master device (50) connected to the slave device (60, 70, 80) through a network (90), for transmitting a request message to the slave device (60, 70, 80), wherein the request message is transmitted from an upper layer of the master device (50) to a lower layer thereof and from a lower layer of the slave device (60, 70, 80) to an upper layer thereof, and has a command code implying an operation which will be executed by the slave device (60, 70, 80), and a related argument for executing the operation.



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